

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-39. (cancelled)

40. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

receiving a consumer request for a music selection;

responsive to said consumer request, transmitting the music selection to an

intermediate storage medium at a consumer site;

receiving an indication that at least a portion of the music selection has been recorded

from the intermediate storage medium to a permanent storage medium located at the
consumer site; and

responsive to said indication, automatically charging ~~a~~ the consumer for ~~a~~ the music selection ~~made by the consumer, said charging triggered upon the consumer recording the music selection on a storage medium located at a consumer site.~~

41. (Previously presented) The method of claim 40 wherein the automatically charging is done electronically.

42. (Canceled)

43. (Currently amended) The method of claim 40 further comprising:

informing the consumer that the music selection is available for ~~purchase if said music selection is about to be made at~~ transmission to the intermediate storage medium via a peer-to-peer music sharing system used by said consumer; and

providing a mechanism for the consumer to ~~order~~ request said music selection while at a website of said peer-to-peer music sharing system.

44. (Currently amended) The method of claim 43 further comprising:

paying an operator of said peer-to-peer music sharing system for advertising and making music available for ~~purchase~~ transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

45. (Currently amended) The method of claim 43 wherein the informing comprises:

placing a highlight within a catalog of said peer to peer music sharing system whenever catalog selections are available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

46. (Currently amended) The method of claim 43, wherein the informing comprises:

placing an icon within a catalog of said peer to peer music sharing system whenever catalog selections are available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

47. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, further comprising:
creating a profile from consumer preference information provided by said peer-to-peer music sharing system.

48. (Currently amended) The method of claim 40 further comprising:
transmitting to the consumer site, for storage on ~~the~~ a storage medium at the consumer site, information identifying ~~available~~ music selections ~~for recording on the storage medium~~ available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

49. (Currently amended) The method of claim 48 further comprising:
before automatically charging the consumer for the music ~~selections~~ selection, ~~transmitting the content of~~ receiving an indication that the entire music selection to the consumer site for recording of the content of the music selection has been recorded on the permanent storage medium ~~by the consumer~~.

50. (Currently amended) The method of claim 49, ~~wherein said transmitting comprises~~ further comprising:
communicating an order of said music selection to a central controller;
transferring copies of records of said order to a transmission scheduler;
communicating schedules created by said transmission scheduler to a satellite uplink facility for transmission of said order; and
transmitting via satellite said order to said customer site.

51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 50, wherein said order communication comprises:

an action selected from the group consisting of: using a home personal computer for ordering said music selection, using a cell phone for ordering said music selection, using a Personal Data Assistant wireless device for ordering said music selection; ordering said music selection is via wireless application protocol.

52. (Currently amended) A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon, the instructions comprising: for performing the method of claim 40:

instructions to receive a consumer request for a music selection;

instructions to transmit, responsive to said consumer request, the music selection to an intermediate storage medium at a consumer site;

instructions to receive an indication that at least a portion of the music selection has been recorded from the intermediate storage medium to a permanent storage medium located at the consumer site; and

instructions to automatically charge, responsive to said indication, the consumer for the music selection.

53. (Currently amended) A ~~The~~ computer readable medium ~~having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 41 of claim 52,~~ wherein the instructions to automatically charge comprise instructions to automatically charge electronically.

54. (Canceled)

55. (Currently amended) A ~~The~~ computer readable medium ~~having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 43, of claim 52,~~ the instructions further comprising:

instructions to inform the consumer that the music selection is available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium via a peer-to-peer music sharing system used by said consumer; and

instructions to provide a mechanism for the consumer to request said music selection while at a website of said peer-to-peer music sharing system.

56. (Currently amended) ~~A The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 44. of claim 55, the~~ instructions further comprising:

instructions to pay an operator of said peer-to-peer music sharing system for advertising and making music available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

57. (Currently amended) ~~A The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 45. of claim 55, wherein the instructions to inform comprise:~~

instructions to place a highlight within a catalog of said peer to peer music sharing system whenever catalog selections are available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

58. (Currently amended) ~~A The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 46. of claim 55, wherein the instructions to inform comprise:~~

instructions to place an icon within a catalog of said peer-to-peer music sharing system whenever catalog selections are available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

59. (Currently amended) ~~A The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 47. of claim 55, the~~ instructions further comprising:

instructions to create a profile from consumer preference information provided by said peer-to-peer music sharing system.

60. (Currently amended) ~~A The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 48. of claim 52, the~~ instructions further comprising:

instructions to transmit to the consumer site, for storage on a storage medium at the consumer site, information identifying music selections available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

61. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 49, of claim 60, the instructions further comprising:

instructions to, before automatically charging the consumer for the music selection, receive an indication that the entire music selection has been recorded on the permanent storage medium.

62. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 50, of claim 61, the instructions further comprising:

instructions to communicate an order of said music selection to a central controller;
instructions to transfer copies of records of said order to a transmission scheduler;
instructions to communicate schedules created by said transmission scheduler to a satellite uplink facility for transmission of said order; and
instructions to transmit via satellite said order to said customer site.

63. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The computer readable medium having computer executable instructions stored thereon for performing the method of claim 51, of claim 62, wherein said order communication comprises an action selected from the group consisting of: using a home personal computer for ordering said music selection, using a cell phone for ordering said music selection, using a Personal Data Assistant wireless device for ordering said music selection; ordering said music selection is via wireless application protocol.

64. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:
a receiving mechanism configured to receive a consumer request for a music selection;
a transmitting mechanism configured to transmit, responsive to said consumer request, the music selection to an intermediate storage medium at a consumer site;

a receiving mechanism configured to receive an indication that at least a portion of the music selection has been recorded from the intermediate storage medium to a permanent storage medium located at the consumer site; and

a ~~recording-detection~~ charging mechanism configured to automatically charge ~~a~~ the consumer for ~~a~~ the music selection, the automatically charging responsive to receiving the indication that at least a portion of ~~made by the consumer, said charging triggered upon the consumer recording~~ the music selection has been recorded on a ~~the permanent~~ storage medium located at ~~a~~ the consumer site.

65. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 64 further wherein the ~~recording-detection~~ charging mechanism is configured to automatically charge electronically.

66. (Canceled)

67. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 64 further comprising:
a transmitting mechanism, ~~operable with the recording-detection mechanism,~~
configured to transmit to the consumer site, ~~for storage on the storage medium at the consumer site,~~ information identifying available music selections for recording on the storage medium.

68. – 70. (Canceled)

71. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~69~~ 64 further comprising:
a ~~music information receiving mechanism~~ transmitter configured to ~~receive~~ transmit, for storage on ~~the a~~ a storage medium at the consumer site, information identifying ~~available~~ music selections ~~for recording on the storage medium~~ available for transmission to the intermediate storage medium.

72. (Canceled)